

# Retaliation Protection for Health Care Workers in Wisconsin

**Any facility, as defined in s. 647.01 (4)**, or any hospital, nursing home, community based residential facility, county home, county infirmary, county hospital, county mental health complex or other place licensed or approved by the department of health and family services **must display** this poster in one or more conspicuous places where notices to employees are customarily posted.

**Under section 146.997 of Wisconsin Statutes, as an employee of a health care facility or provider, you may not be disciplined at work for good faith reporting of:**

- any potential violations of state or federal law by the health care facility or provider,
- any situation where care is provided in a manner that violates state or federal standards, laws, or recognized clinical or ethical standards.

**Covered reporting** includes internal reports to any director, officer, or supervisor of the health care facility or provider, or reports to an agency or body that accredits, certifies, or approves the facility or provider, unless disclosure is prohibited by law.

Victims of unlawful retaliation may file a complaint, **within 300 days** of the date the retaliation or threat of retaliation occurred, at one of the offices below.

**STATE OF WISCONSIN  
DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
EQUAL RIGHTS DIVISION**

201 E WASHINGTON AVE, ROOM A100  
PO BOX 8928  
MADISON WI 53708

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MILWAUKEE WI 53203

Telephone: (608) 266-6860

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**Website: <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/er/>**

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